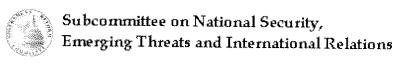
United States House of Representatives



Christopher Shays, Connecticut Chairman B-372 Rayburn House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515 Phone: 202-225-2348 Fax: 202-225-2382

Contact: Bob Briggs

MEDIA ADVISORY

For Immediate Release November 29, 2005

Subcommittees to Hold December 13th Hearing on International Maritime Security

(Washington, DC)—Congressman Christopher Shays (CT-4) and Congressman Mark Souder (IN-3), Chairmen of the Subcommittees on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations, and Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources today announced the panels will convene an oversight hearing entitled, "International Maritime Security." The joint hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at 2:00 p.m., room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building, in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the hearing is to examine international maritime security, including jurisdictional conflicts and coordination of assistance in the event of an attack. Representatives from the Department of Defense, United States Coast Guard, Federal Bureau of Investigation, cruise lines and their respective associations have been invited to testify.